

**INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION
PROGRAM EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

June 5, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

IAC Office, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Room N505
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Trevor Yager, Chair

Minutes

Members present: Pam Hicks, Jeff Kirk, Linda Levell, Earl Williams

Members via teleconference: Jon Ford (ex officio), Suzie Rentschler

Members absent: Gil Cárdenas, Irene Smith-King, Trevor Yager

IAC staff present: Michelle Anderson, Susan Britsch, Kristina Davis, Emily Hellmuth, Bobbie Garver, Dennis Hardin, Lewis Ricci.

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** In the absence of Committee chair Trevor Yager, IAC Commissioner Earl Williams convened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

2. **Consent Agenda.** Due to lack of quorum present, no action was taken. The minutes from the March 16, 2012 meeting of the PEC will be presented for approval at a special meeting of the Committee prior to the next meeting of the full Commission on June 22, 2012.

3. **Ratification of FY 2013 Individual Artist Program (IAP) Applications.** IAC Community Development Director Susan Britsch presented a handout (attached) showing the final scores of the IAP applications and the amount of available funding, which would allow for 39 grants to be awarded. Due to lack of quorum present, the Committee reached a consensus to recommend approval of the 39 grants as presented.

4. **Ratification of FY 2013 AOS III Allocation.** IAC Community Development Manager Kristina Davis presented a handout (attached) showing the final scores of the AOS III applications. AOS III is a two-year grant, and FY 2013 will be the second year of the grant. Due to lack of quorum present, the Committee reached a consensus to recommend approval of the AOS III grants for FY 2013 as presented.

5. **Ratification of FY 2013 Statewide Arts Service Organizations (SWASO) Allocation.** Ms. Davis presented a handout (attached) showing the scores of the three applications for SWASO grants. The SWASO grant is a two-year grant, and FY 2013 will be the second year of the grant. Only one organization was awarded a grant in this category. Due to lack of quorum present, the Committee reached consensus to recommend approval of the SWASO grants for FY 2013 as presented.

6. Ratification of FY 2013 Statewide Membership Grants. Ms. Davis presented a handout (attached) showing two Statewide Membership Grants for FY 2013. IAC annually includes a grant in its budget for Arts Midwest, which provides many services to the state of Indiana; IAC also re-grants a portion of its federal dollars to Traditional Arts Indiana. Due to lack of quorum present, the Committee reached a consensus to recommend approval of these two grants as presented.

7. Ratification of FY 2013 Regional Arts Partners (RAP) Allocations. IAC Community Development Manager Bobbie Garver presented a handout (attached) showing the proposed FY 2013 funding for the Regional Arts Partners, based on the current allocation formula. Due to lack of quorum present, the Committee reached a consensus to recommend approval the grants as presented.

8. Ratification of the FY 2013 Regional Initiative Grant (RIG) Applications. IAC Deputy Director Michelle Anderson presented a handout (attached) showing the panel scores and proposed funding for all of the applicant organizations in the AOS II, AOS I, APS, and Mini grant categories. IAC Executive Director Lewis Ricci explained that IAC policy is that no grant in the AOS categories can exceed 20% of the organization's operating budget for the year. Some of the organizations, due to panel scores attained, are shown as earning more than the 20% allowed. IAC Commissioner Jeff Kirk asked if the "20% rule" was explained in the grant guidelines, and Mr. Ricci said yes. Mr. Kirk suggested that the Committee recommend approval of the RIG grants with the monetary cap of 20% per organization, as presented, and that any remaining funds in the granting pool be reallocated within the same category and region based on panel scores. The Committee reached a consensus on Mr. Kirk's suggestion.

9. Break.

10. Arts in Education/Poetry Out Loud Update. Ms. Britsch reported that the application period for 2013 Arts in Education grants will open in August. The program will be open to schools and to teaching artists. Ms. Britsch reported that Jordan Mather-Licht from Broad Ripple High School won the state-wide Poetry Out Loud competition, but did not advance beyond the first round in the nation-wide competition in Washington DC. The National Endowment for the Arts will continue the program for 2013. Ms. Britsch hopes to continue to increase the number of participants. Ms. Britsch also reported that a state-wide arts education assessment is being planned by Bob Sobol from Purdue University.

11. Cultural Districts Update. Ms. Davis reported that eight communities have applied for technical assistance consultancies in Phase II of the Vibrant Communities program. The applications will be reviewed this week. The next round of applications for Cultural District designation will be scheduled after the consultancies have been completed.

12. **ArtsWork Update.** Ms. Davis reported that the grass-roots organization ArtsWork is undergoing a strategic planning process and is working to update their information base about organizations and their needs.

13. **RAP/RIG Allocation Formula Committee Update.** Ms. Garver reported that the first meeting of the committee to review the IAC Regional Arts Partner allocation formula will be held this week. Committee members include IAC staff, current Partners, former Partners, and Commissioners. The first meeting will be facilitated by Sara Peterson.

14. **Old Business.** Mr. Ricci reported that a Diversity Symposium is being planned in conjunction with the Ohio Arts Council, the Michigan Arts Council, and the University of Notre Dame. Funding assistance is being provided by the Joyce Foundation. IAC Commissioner Gil Cárdenas is on the planning committee.

15. **New Business.** Ms. Garver introduced Emily Hellmuth, who is a 2012 Governor's Intern in the IAC office. Mr. Ricci reported that National Endowment for the Arts Chairman Rocco Landesman will be visiting Indiana on July 19 and plans are underway for his visit.

16. **Adjourn.** Mr. Williams thanked everyone for their participation and closed the meeting at 3:22 p.m.